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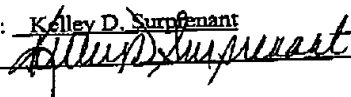
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Companion Animals

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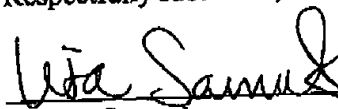
Pursuant to the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), it is requested that the term for response to the Examiner's Action in this application, mailed on March 13, 2003, and having an original period for response of three months, which expired on June 13, 2003, be extended by three month(s), such that it expires on September 13, 2003.

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